

Phoenix Cafeteria (Commercial Building)
644-646 South Fourth Avenue
Louisville
Jefferson County
Kentucky

HABS No. KY-174

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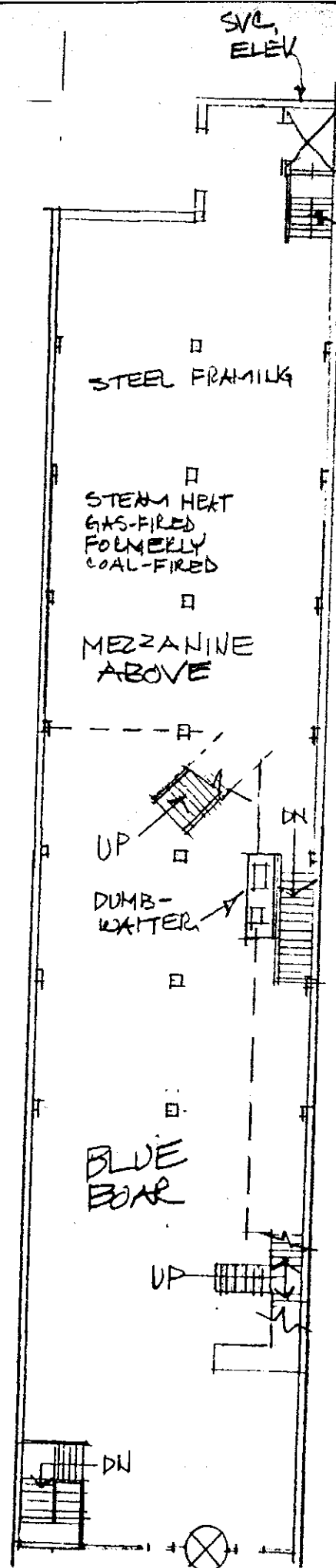
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Kentucky	COUNTY Jefferson	TOWN OR VICINITY Louisville
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Phoenix Cafeteria (Caron Directory of Louisville)		HABS NO. KY-174
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE 644-6 South Fourth Avenue		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 644-6 South Fourth Avenue		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1928 ("First Noiseless Cafeteria")	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) D. X. Murphy (see date)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This structure is typical of a number of small-scale commercial buildings constructed in downtown Louisville in the early 20th century that are sheathed in architectural faience. The upper story has stylized Tudor Motifs which are typical of the interest in period revival of that time. The structure was originally built as a cafeteria		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Commercial		(cont. below)
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick with steel framing, concrete floors		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 42' x 200' --three stories		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The facade is sheathed in terra cotta panels with stylized Tudor Motifs in the parapet.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The first floor totally altered, c. 1950. The interior was continually remodeled by the Blue Boar Cafeteria, tenants from 1932-1970s.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE General condition is good, currently houses a book store.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE (Significance, cont) and utilized a plaster material frequently used in auditoriums for acoustical problems.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Caron Directory of the City of Louisville, Louisville: C. K. Caron, 1925-1940 "First Noiseless Cafe" Louisville Herald Post 18 April 1928. Kentucky Historic Resources Inventory #CD-170		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Marty Hedgepeth Director of Research Louisville Landmarks Commission		DATE March, 1983

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